

inside said city or town on roads and bridges connecting with roads leading out into the country known or designated as county roads under the supervision of the county commissioners.

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CHAPTER 77.

[S. B. 174.]

AMENDING ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF PERSONS WORKING IN COAL MINES.

AN ACT to amend section one (1) of an act entitled "An act for the protection of persons working in coal mines," approved March 6, 1897.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That section one (1) of an act entitled "An Act for the protection of persons working in coal mines," approved March 6, 1897, be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows: Section 1. For the purpose of this act, this state shall be divided into inspection districts, each district to contain not less than ten nor more than sixty coal mines, each district to be under the supervision of an inspector of coal mines, the manner of whose appointment shall be as follows: *Provided*, That there shall be appointed but one inspector until sixty coal mines shall be in operation in this state. The Governor shall upon the recommendation of a board, to be by him selected and appointed for the purpose of examining candidates for appointment to the office of mine inspector under the provisions of this act, appoint a properly qualified person or persons to fill the office of inspector of coal mines for this state. The commissions of said inspector or inspectors shall be for the term of four years, and inspectors shall be at all times subject to removal from office for neglect of duty or malfeasance in the discharge of their duties. Said board shall consist of one practical coal miner; one owner

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or operator of a coal mine, and one mining engineer, all of whom shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties. The said inspectors shall be citizens of the State of Washington, and shall have had at least five years practical experience in coal mining. Such person or persons so appointed as inspector shall devote their entire time to the duties of the office, and shall possess other qualifications at present defined by the laws of the State of Washington and not inconsistent with the provisions of this act. Each of such inspectors shall give bond in the sum of two thousand dollars, with sureties to be approved by a judge of a superior court of the county in which he resides, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, and take an oath (or affirmation) to discharge his duties impartially and with fidelity, to the best of his knowledge and ability. The salary of each of such inspectors shall be twenty-four hundred (\$2,400) dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed his actual and necessary traveling expenses while in the performance of his duties under the provisions of this chapter, and the Auditor of the state is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of each of such inspectors for the amount due them for their salaries monthly, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Qualifica-
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inspectors.

Bond.

Compensa-
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